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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title : SOFT TISSUE IMPLANTS AND METHODS FOR MAKING SAME

Art Unit : 3738  
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**Mail Stop Amendment**  
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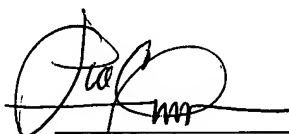
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Office action mailed June 16, 2005, Applicant elects the invention of Group I (claims 1-54 and 59-84) and the species of Species I (figures 6A and 6B). The election is made without traverse. Claims 1-12, 14-39, 41-54, 59-70, and 72-84 read on the elected species.

Enclosed is a Petition for an extension of time to and including August 16, 2005, and a check for the required fee. If there are any other charges, or any credits, please apply them to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: August 16, 2005

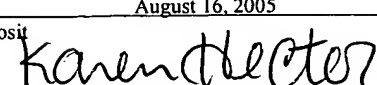
  
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